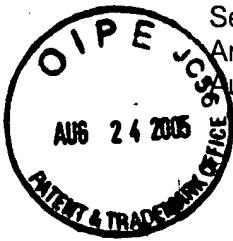


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Grp./Div. : 3629
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Commissioner:

In reply to the Office Action regarding the above-identified application, dated May 20, 2005, Amendments to the Claims are submitted herewith. This Amendment and Response is timely filed within the three-month period set by the Examiner because it is filed on the first business day, namely Monday, August 22, 2005, following August 20, 2005, the day on which the three-month deadline falls. Reconsideration of the application in view of the Amendments and the Response and Remarks below is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 8 of this paper.

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Response and Remarks begin on page 22 of this paper.